## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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## **Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

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**Rural Utilities Service** 

TITLE: 7 CFR 1777, Section 306C Water & Waste Disposal (WWD) Loans & Grants

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0572-0109

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: Rural Utilities Service is authorized to make loans and grants

under Section 306C of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7.U.S.C. 1926c).

This program funds facilities and projects in low income rural communities whose residents face

significant health risks. These communities do not have access to or are not served by adequate

affordable water supply systems or waste disposal facilities. The loans and grants will be

available to provide water and waste disposal facilities and services to these communities.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: Eligible applicants submit an application package

and other information to Rural Development field offices to develop or improve community

water and waste disposal systems. In one percent of the cases an applicant will use the funds to

enable individuals to connect to the applicant's system or improve residences to use the water or

waste disposal system. In this situation, an applicant will make loans and grants to individuals

and the applicant will submit an implementation plan, memorandum of agreement and use of

funds report.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals or households

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: Annually

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 9

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